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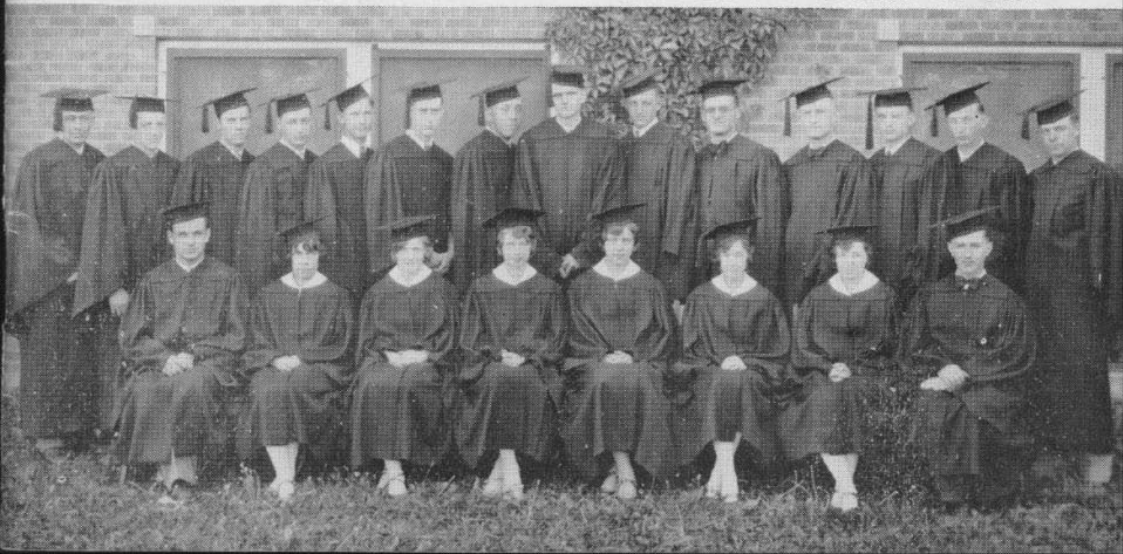


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1928 - 1953

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Front Row - faculty members, left to right - H. Gillespie, B. E. Fahl, Lydia Jepson, H. T. Karnes, President Heemstra, Ethel Adcock, Fern Smith, C. Van Zanten.

NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE — A QUARTER CENTURY

This number of the Classic takes as its special feature the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Junior College. Some of the activities took place in connection with the Commencement season in the spring - the anniversary being particularly noted in the meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, the Alumni Banquet, and the Baccalaureate Service. Rev. Henry Colenbrander, D. D., who has been President of the Board of Trustees since the college was opened, was the main speaker at the banquet. In his address on "A Quarter of a Century," he dwelt upon achievements of the college's first twenty-five years and predicted a "unique future," depending upon God's help and the loyalty of supporters. It was fitting that Rev. Jacob Heemstra, D. D., who had served as President from 1928 to 1951, should deliver the baccalaureate sermon. His message was based on First Corinthians 3:9-15, the subject being "The Test of Our Workmanship." He brought a word of counsel to the new graduates urging them to build lives of abiding quality.

The College play, "The Robe," was included among the commencement activities so that alumni would have an opportunity to enjoy it. It was presented three times in the Town Hall Auditorium, and maintained Northwestern's high standard in the dramatic field.

The most ambitious phase of the celebration was carried out this fall, when a pageant, "Northwestern - A Silver Lantern," written by Mrs. H. L.

England of the faculty, was presented on the evenings of September 24 and 26. A large stage was erected with the facade of Zwemer Hall as background. With the aid of a cast of 150 people, skilled light and sound effects, dramatized events, and moving and still pictures, a very impressive portrayal was given of the growth of the college over the years, and of its beneficent work as a guiding light in the lives of the 1700 students that have filled its class-rooms since its inception. Among the events recalled were the vote by General Synod to approve of the founding of the college; the inauguration of President Heemstra; the graduation of the class of 1930; the inauguration of President Wezeman; and the acceptance of the college for accreditation by the North Central Association. Many other scenes from days gone by were enacted, including the religious program of the school, athletics, dramatics, music, and campus life.

Homecoming events also were carried out during the same week. On the 24th, the students, thinking of the approaching football game with Worthington Junior College, had their snake-dance through the city streets and their Victory Bonfire. On the afternoon of the 25th, a large company gathered to witness the Coronation of Evelyn Bolks of Hull, Iowa, as Homecoming Queen and to do honor to the football team. The Alumni speaker on this occasion was Leonard Kromendyk, College '48. The Victory parade was featured by several very clever floats prepared by various student

THE FIRST GRADUATES OF THE COLLEGE — CLASS OF 1930

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Left to right: Seated - Arie Bomgaars, Wilhelmina Van Veldhuizen, Adair Engstrom, Alys Eringa, Helen Van Wechel, Hester Cleveringa, Josephine Dykstra, Adelphos Dykstra. Standing - John Mulder, Edwin Bloemendaal, Bernard Mouw, Dick Vander Wilt, John W. Mouw, Fred Stuart, Fred Leck, Wilbur De Jong, Gerrit De Groot, Charles Greenfield, William Reinsma, Albert Hylkema, Albert Heemstra, Adrian Schalekamp. (Bert G. Vander Berg is not in the photograph)

groups. First place was awarded to the Hi-Y and Y-Teens of the Academy, whose float represented a large three-tier cake and bore the legend: "It's a 'Cinch' to beat Worthington." Homecoming was made complete by the victory over Worthington, whom Northwestern had not previously defeated in football. The score was 13-0.

Northwestern College greatly appreciates the courtesy shown by

Central College, from which was received an artistic scroll signed by representatives of the Faculty, the Student Cabinet, and Northwestern students now enrolled at Central. The sentiment on the scroll is as follows: "Congratulations to Northwestern College on the celebration of its 25th anniversary. Central College, your sister institution, sends warm greetings and best wishes for continued success in the years ahead."

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

At the alumni banquet in May, the following officers were chosen, several of them being held over from the previous year:

President - H. Paul Colenbrander, A '41, C '43.

First Vice-President - Rev. Herman A. Harmelink, A '24.

Second Vice-President - Mrs. Joan Bloemendaal Verhoef, A '31.

Third Vice-President - Mrs. Lena Muilenburg Roos, A '40, C '42.

Recording Secretary - Mrs. Anne Vos Muilenburg, C '41.

Corresponding Secretary - Mrs. Hester Cleveringa Vande Garde, A '26, C '30.

First Banquet Committee Chairman - Mrs. Gertrude Klein Fisher, A '09.

Second Banquet Committee Chairman - Mrs. Florence De Jong Heemstra, A '31, C '33n.

Treasurer - Alfred T. Aalberts, A '31, C '33.

Chairman of Chapter Committee - Rev. Ellsworth C. Dykstra, A '38, C '39.

Chairman of Project Committee - Henry J. Moret - C '31.

Chairman of Nominating Committee - Arie Vander Stoep, A '18.

The system of rotation that has been worked out should produce greater continuity in the conduct of the Association's activities.

A word should be said about the attendance at the annual banquets. The attendance this year was not as large as was expected in this anniversary year. If the price of admission is considered a barrier, it should be remembered that the Association has instituted a policy of making the college and academy graduates of the current year guests at the banquet. The expense for these guest plates must naturally be absorbed in the price of the tickets.

The purpose of this courtesy to the new graduates is to make them feel at home in the Alumni group. We hope that they then will try hard to do their part to make every future banquet a success. This requires that our younger alumni shall come out to these banquets in greater numbers than has been the case. Maintaining a good Alumni spirit is part of the building of a fine Northwestern tradition.

ANNIVERSARY LETTERS OF 1953

ACADEMY FIFTY YEAR CLASS

"It is hard to realize that we graduated from the Academy a half a century ago. There are several members whom I have not seen during all these years and it would be a most enjoyable experience to see my class-

mates for I have happy memories of those Academy days. I am sending to each member of our class a copy of the prayers which I have offered in the House of Representatives since my appointment as Chaplain, three years

ago. God has been good to me and I have found great joy in the ministry.

"May I kindly ask you to extend to our classmates my very best wishes and prayers for their health and happiness. Please tell them that I would be greatly pleased to see them whenever they happen to be in Washington. I have retired from the active pastorate and am now making the Chaplaincy a full time ministry."

Fraternally yours,

Bernard Braskamp,
Washington, D. C.

"I often think about the good old Academy days - Those were really happy days with no cares or worries, except for our studies and I don't think we worried too much about those. I can remember how proud I was at our commencement exercises to get up and receive the banner for winning the first prize in the declamatory contest. Wonder what has become of the banner.

"Yes, those were the good old days! Since then I have had my joys and sorrows but still have many things to be thankful for, three fine children and eight grandchildren - Can you beat that?"

As ever your friend,

Dora Hospers Gleysteen
Altadena, California

"I would very much like to attend but am sorry to say that one of my men is out on his vacation so will not be able to attend.

"I would very much enjoy to have the whole class together; we have had some good times."

With best regards,

Jacob C. Hospers
Sheldon, Iowa

"In 1918 when my husband, Clayton Farquhar, was drafted and eventually went overseas, I made up my mind I would complete my education. I first went to Healds Business College, day and evening session, and finished all the required subjects to graduate. I took a job working for an attorney, and later worked for a group of doctors. There was no money in office work, so I decided to go back to school and get my California credential. That was my lucky star, because commercial

teachers were at a premium, hence well paid.

"My first teaching was done in Eldorado County - remember your history, the Gold Rush country of forty-nine? The town was Placerville, once called 'hangman's town.'

"I taught in Ventura for 30 years. First in the High school and then in the Junior College. I liked the upper level work, and the older students. Ventura was a small village when I came here, with just one hotel. Today we have a small city, with fine hotels everywhere. We have the oil fields all around us, and our community is very wealthy, in fact, one of the wealthiest in the state. Walnuts, lima beans and citrus products add to the wealth of Ventura County.

"I retired in 1951. No, no regrets, but lots of adjustments. I lived in a very nice hotel for 22 years, and now live in the country, seven miles from Ventura. My husband teaches in the Ventura City College, engineering, and architectural drawing. If you could see our home you would feel like I do - he has great ability. Every window is a picture window for the mountains are so beautiful here.

"I do lots of club work and enjoy it very much. It is such fun to be a delegate to go here, there, and somewhere else. It is an education too in what the woman of today is doing for society. No longer is she only a drudge in the home, but she has a place everywhere beside man."

Sincerely,

Kathryn Meyer Rudolph
Oak View, California

"How I would like to be with you at Commencement time. We have ours (Central College) also at that time and it is our 100th. I don't see how I can make it. If N.W.C.A.'s were on another week-end I would certainly do my best to be there."

Very sincerely yours,

Henry W. Pietenpol
Pella, Iowa

"I often look at the class photo where Ben Braskamp appears in short pants and the rest of us boys in stiff collars. 'O what a change' time has wrought!

"We send greetings to the class of 1903. You perhaps know that after

spending 36 years in Arabia we retired from the Mission and after a year's furlough I accepted a call from this church to become stated supply in 1948. We have three children, all of whom are married and have children. We have eight grandchildren, four boys, four girls.

"All through these 50 years we have watched the developments of

N.W.C.A. and we feel that pride fills our hearts with thanks to Almighty God for His goodness. And there is a great future ahead of our school. As we older ones lay down the work, others will carry on, and this is the way of progress."

Sincerely and lovingly,

Gerrit D. Van Peursem
North Branch, New Jersey

ACADEMY FORTY YEAR CLASS

"Whether I shall attend the banquet this year I, at the present, will not promise, for quite a bit is involved if I leave Holland, Michigan. Yet it appeals to me to be present with the finish of this particular year. So, if I cannot be present in person I hope to be present in the spirit. Whom do you expect to come? Will Milton Stadt be there? Poppen, Chris Popma, Joe Vollink and the remaining class membership? How much assurance have you of them coming? I hope you will have a real good representation. Talking about myself I am simply living that ministerial career to which ministers are subject. As a family we can say that it consists of 8 persons, parents and children, three boys, and three girls. The best of good wishes to you all and thinking still of the influence Fannie Beltman and Henrietta Hofland have given for our good."

Yours in Class Fellowship

Tiede Hibma
Holland, Michigan

"After graduating from the Academy I spent some time trying to determine what the future held for me and along came the war and decided for me. After spending a short spell in the army, I went to College at Ames where, toward the end of my course, I met my wife. We remained in Iowa for a year after our marriage during which time I was engaged in municipal engineering. In 1925 we came to Dixon, Illinois and after moving from one construction job to another I had an opportunity to stay in the District Headquarters where I have remained ever

since. The years have been good to me and surely one shouldn't ask any more from life than what I have had. My associations in business have been pleasant, my home-life harmonious, and promotions far better than I deserve have come my way."

Sincerely yours,

Chris Popma
Dixon, Illinois

"We enjoy living in California. My husband John is a Leadman at Douglas Aircraft Inc. at Long Beach. I wish it had been possible for me to be at the banquet and meet as many of our former classmates as could possibly come. Suppose Milt Stadt and I are the only California residents."

Love,

Dena Hospers Van Klompenburg,
Bellflower, California

"Along comes a letter from you, reminding me that it will soon be forty years, since I graduated from the Northwestern Academy. Immediately I began to go over some of the things that had taken place at that time. Being class speaker, (and oh! was I good), having our picture taken in that little back room studio with the temperature at least 100 degrees. I believe you can see the drops of perspiration on the finished product. Each time I cleaned house I would sit and look at it a while."

Sincerely,

Anne Bonnacroy Van Zyl
Alton, Iowa

ACADEMY TWENTY-FIVE YEAR CLASS

"Perhaps most of you know that in 1937 we went back to Ames and I did nursing while Bergie finished his year and quarter he lacked on his degree.

After that he taught Vocational Agriculture for 6 years, then one-half year as County Extension Director before taking this job with the Dubuque Pack-

ing Company. He has been with the Company now for 7 years and likes it very much. I still do nursing part time which develops into full time very often. It keeps me very busy with our large house, family, church, and civic duties but I'd not be happy any other way. Bergie and I have been very active in the Presbyterian church since leaving Orange City. He is serving his second term as Elder, teaches Sunday School, etc. I just finished a 3-year term as Deacon and now am President of our Church Women's Association (you call it Ladies Aid), I did quit the choir this year; I finally concluded I was spreading myself too thin when working too. Silver threads are among the gold but we go on as hard as ever. We wish we could see you all."

Sincerely,
Jeane De Jong Vander Berg
Dubuque, Iowa

"I have moved about a good deal since Academy days. The first eight years after graduation I taught school in Sioux County schools. Thereupon I married a preacher - John C. Verbrugge - and I have not regretted the change from the schoolroom to the parsonage. But when you marry a preacher then you do not have much to say anymore as to where you want to live. You go along with him and so I have, since our marriage, lived in three different states: South Dakota, Michigan and Washington, and now we are living in a foreign country, Canada. But then, I have seen more of North America than might otherwise have been the case. We have five children of whom the oldest will be 16 this summer, and the youngest is three and one-half years."

With Christian greetings,
Marie Sinkey Verbrugge
Edmonton, Alberta

COLLEGE TWENTY YEAR CLASS

"Thank you so much for the invitation to participate in the commencement activities. I would like so much to be there and greet old friends. However, my husband is a principal of a school and this is our busy time of year - so it will be impossible for me to be there for the reunion festivities.

We have a seven and one-half year old son, Charles, who is in second grade. My very best wishes for a successful weekend of fun."

Cordially,
Dorothy Evans Krejci
Elmhurst, Illinois

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ACADEMY SIXTY YEAR CLASS

From Rev. D. C. Royce, A '92, of East Williamson, New York, we have the following lines of greeting:

"I have joined the ranks of the octogenarians. My health is good and I am enjoying life more perhaps than when I was younger.

"Since coming to East Williamson I have been fairly active in the work of the churches of the Classis of Rochester. The demands for supply work are considerable. I enjoy this work more than I can express in words. When home I regularly conduct the Adult Men's Bible Class. This latter piece of work is so interesting that I am sometimes tempted to give up pulpit work and confine my strength to this work alone.

"Perhaps it may be well in closing

to inform my friends accurately in regard to the change of my name from Ruigh to Royce. The original name was such as to cause me wherever I went considerable inconvenience, annoyance, and sometimes serious errors. So in 1938 I petitioned the Judge of the Supreme Court for the County of New York for permission to alter my name to its present form. Hence the name which I now use, and have used for nearly 25 years, is my legal name. It is not an alias or anything of that sort. It is and will remain my legal name. I make this statement because it has come to my notice that some people have thought that I was masquerading under a false name. This is not the case. Copies of the Court action were sent to all interested parties, including the Northwestern Classical Academy, Hope College, etc."

ACADEMY FIFTY YEAR CLASS

Marie Muyskens, A '02, writing from Detroit, Michigan, tells us about the service she has given throughout the years since she was at Northwestern:

"After graduation I went to Grinnell College, then was Country School Teacher in Iowa. While doing that I had an urgent call to come to Annville, Kentucky, to work in the school there, from 1910 to 1927. The last ten years I was Dean of Boys in the new building. May I say here, that the work with those boys was a constant source of joy and stands out, in my opinion, as the most worthwhile.

"The spring of 1927 I was not too well and resigned but the following year was Pastor's Assistant in a Presbyterian Church in Elm Grove, West Virginia. That was a suburb of Wheeling, West Virginia, where brother John was Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Since then I have been associated with Children's Homes in Detroit and Lebanon, Indiana, as House-mother and later as Director.

"When I gave up Children's work I was House-Mother and later Social

Director in a Nurses' Home in Detroit but my desire was to get back into active Christian duty so I became Parish Visitor with the First United Presbyterian Church in Detroit for five years until the Church passed into the hands of the colored people, who, as you know, have their own workers.

"At present I am with the Methodist Church as Parish Visitor in the 14th Avenue Church, employed through the Methodist Union of Churches of Greater Detroit. My work is pleasant; I do house-to-house visitation part of the time, I have the Junior Church during the morning service and am actively associated with the general work of the Church. Three hours, four days a week, I walk miles and miles of city streets and meet many people. I can say that the Lord has always been wondrously good to me and that my paths have fallen in pleasant places and I have a goodly heritage.

"Kindly extend my sincere greetings to my classmates and may the good work done through the Academy and College continue to make many useful worthwhile careers for the young people of our present time."

ACADEMY FORTY YEAR CLASS

"What about myself? I am at present pastor of the Park Hills Reformed Church in Los Angeles. This is a new church and the work is very difficult, but also rewarding. I have been in California for over 20 years and helped in the organizing of seventeen churches on the coast. The future looks bright and promising. We ought to have another 40 or 50 churches along the Pacific Coast. And we ought also to have a college on the West Coast. We have two children, one is an attorney in North Carolina connected with the State Highway Department. The other, Judith, is a freshman at Hope College. She is one of the third-generation students at Hope."

Henry Beltman
Tucson, Arizona

California. In 1926 I married Paul Gilbert. At the time I was teaching Home Economics and he was coaching in the Milbank, South Dakota, high school.

"We have two wonderful children. Paul Robert is married and has a baby daughter. He is living in Los Angeles and going to school at the University of Southern California studying law. Jo Anna has always been interested in dramatic arts and is in her second year at the Pasadena College Playhouse.

"At present I am teaching in the San Diego City Schools. I am teaching the adjustment class in the Ocean View School."

Arta Boterman Gilbert
San Diego, California

"I've lived hither and yon since I left those 'halls of learning.' Received my degree from University of South Dakota in 1922. Taught in Missouri, South Dakota, Kansas, Iowa, and

"For almost two years we have been working under the Board of Domestic Missions among the recent immigrants from the Netherlands to

Canada. We are located at Chatham, Ontario, only some 55 miles from Detroit. When you come through Canada be sure to call on us.

"The work includes far more than the regular duties of a pastor, and so we are kept very busy. The immigrants have countless problems to solve, and since they all turn to the minister, the work, to say the least, is not at all monotonous. Every day presents new problems, but also new opportunities to be of service to those who need our help so much.

"The congregation has grown rapidly. At present we have two services here, one in the English language and one in the Holland, and a church service at Rodney, some 40 miles from here. Two weeks ago we had the privilege to dedicate our new church building with the parsonage attached."

Herman Maassen
Chatham, Ontario, Canada

"That's a long time ago, isn't it? Have often wondered what has happened to all my classmates. It would be interesting to know and such a report after the reunion would be very acceptable for I fear I cannot be present.

"My regards to you and please remember me to attending members of the class of 1912."

Carl R. Hospers
Los Angeles, California

"My memories of the days at the N.W.C.A. are fond memories! N.W.C.A. has been, and I'm sure still is, a fine school. And my former 1912 classmates were a wonderful 'bunch o' kids.'

"May the Lord bless each one of you."

Charles Bylsma
Seattle, Washington

"I have been with Douglas Aircraft Co. for 15 years. My education at N.W.C.A. led me to major in physics at Lake Forest College and eventually land at Douglas."

Peter R. Casjens
Santa Monica, California

"I have nothing to say about myself, but I thank the Lord that my faith in Him has become greater as the years have gone by."

Grace Hoffs Schaafsma
Hospers, Iowa

"A large part of my life span has passed since our graduation days in 1912 and since that day the span of life has ended for a number of the class. I hope that the remainder of the class will live to see the half century mark for the class of 1912."

Georgia De Jong Scharff
Lorain, Ohio

REUNIONS

The idea of class-reunions is making headway among the alumni, although slowly. News about these gatherings is eagerly sought by the Classic. Don't forget to give us this information.

A few members of the Academy Class of 1898 got together some time ago at the home of Miss Jeane Noordhoff in Orange City. The three who reminisced over the teacups were Mrs. Jennie Cambier Giebink of Orange City, Mrs. Effie Veenschoten Stientjes of Sheldon, Iowa, and Miss Noordhoff.

At the banquet last May, Miss Noordhoff and her classmate, Kate Schalekamp Orton of Sioux City, sat at the table reserved for what might be called the Fifty-Year Club, those who received their diplomas fifty or more years ago. Others who sat at that table were Hattie Hospers Watermulder, '96, of Orange City; Agnes Dykstra Te Paske, '00, of Sioux Center; Gerrit J. Slobe, '00, of Orange City; Gerrit J. Pennings, '01, of Orange City; and John A. Roggen, '03, of Sioux Center.

Members of the college class of 1932 met at the home of Geraldine Van

Wechel Westfall in Orange City. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. John Den Ouden and three children of Zeeland, Michigan; Thelma Diekevers Kooiman of Edgerton, Minnesota; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis De Koster of Orange City; Mathilda Buurman Vander Wilt (C'33) of Orange City; Agatha Te Paske Bolluyt of Alton, Iowa; Loraine Vander Meide Kleinwolterink of Orange City; Vernon Newendorp of Alton, Iowa; and Mrs. Westfall. Letters were received from Frank Verbrugge of Northfield, Minnesota; William Ypma of La Jolla, California; Avah Dykstra Berkebile of Los Angeles, California; Janetta Den Hartog Muyskens of Chandler, Minnesota; Rev. Gradus A. Aalberts of Leighton, Iowa; and Rev. Willis Vander Kooi of Amherst, South Dakota. We are sorry that these letters were not available for publication.



Reka Visser Muilenburg handing to President Wezeman a money-gift for the school from the Academy Class of 1913 in memory of Fannie Beltman Te Grotenhuis and Henrietta Hofland De Valois.

NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE AND THE MISSION FIELD

Northwestern has always been an important "feeder" for missionary work. The Academy over the years has shared in the training of almost fifty foreign and home missionaries. It may be of interest to note that in its first quarter-century the college department has contributed to the training of at least thirteen missionary workers. The list is as follows:

- Bernard J. Voss, C'31n - Arabia.
- Mae Jacobsma Voss C'31 - Arabia.
- Sadie R. Wiersma, A'30, C'32 - Indian work in America.
- Tracy Huitink, A'34 C'36 - Arabia.
- Mrs. Ruth Muyskens Van Engen, C'36 - Mexico.
- Charles M. Haspels, C'38 - Ethiopia.
- Harold J. Vande Berg, C'38 - India.
- Eunice M. Post, C'41 - Arabia.
- Samuel Williams, C'43 - Southern Norman School, Brewton, Alabama.
- Ronald G. Korver, A'43, C'46 - Japan.
- Adriana Boender, C'44 - Kentucky.
- Ruby Barth Korver, C special '52 - Japan.
- John Kenneth Jacobs, C'47 - Mexico.

We are happy to present messages from a few of these in this issue.

Bernard J. Voss, C'31n and Mae Jacobsma Voss, C'31 went out in 1951 on a temporary basis, but are now permanently assigned to medical work in that field. Dr. Voss attended Western Christian High School in Hull, Iowa; Northwestern Junior College; Calvin College; the University of Wisconsin; the University of Iowa; and the University of Michigan. He has practiced in American communities, and in the U. S. Army.

Mrs. Voss attended Western Christian High School; Northwestern Junior College; the University of Redlands, California; State Teachers College in Arizona; Hope College; the University of Utah; and the Biven Bible Institute in Los Angeles.

Dr. and Mrs. Voss are people with wide interests and over the years have pursued many interesting hobbies.

They write as follows about their present task:

"An emergency call to fill in for a year at the American Mission Hospital, Kuwait, Persian Gulf (Arabian Mission, Reformed Church in America)



The Voss Family

drew us from private medical practice in Utah two years ago. The year accomplished, the Mission Board saw fit to take us for further work on the field. Thus, after a short period in America to accomplish necessary preparations, we returned in February, 1953, this time to Amarah, Iraq, to help man this northernmost station of the Arabian Mission.

"Much of our time in this city on the banks of the Tigris is consumed by language study but our assignment includes medical work. Necessarily curtailed by temporary lack of a full time doctor, and by insufficient nursing staff, some hospital work nevertheless goes on day by day. Clinic patients number thirty to fifty a day, and we do surgery one day a week.

"Seeing so many people in the grip of Moslem tradition, in poverty of mind and body, we hope and pray for more personnel - for more time - for better equipment - for wisdom, with which

to deal with these people in the name of our Lord."

Bernard J. Voss

Mae Jacobsma Voss

Note: Dr. and Mrs. Voss are now stationed in Bahrain, Persian Gulf.

Sadie R. Wiersma, A'30, C'32, is an instructor in the Cook Christian Training School at Phoenix, Arizona. In that school's publication "Indian Highways" she writes as follows:

"At different times people have asked me, 'What kind of school is Cook School? Is it a high school? Do you teach high school subjects?' No. The school has the purpose of training Indians of various tribes for Christian service. At Cook Christian Training School, the only institution of its kind in the U. S., staff members and students are united in effort to carry out the command of Jesus to 'Go.'

"Staff members representing different denominations have heeded this

command; they have left loved ones and friends; furthermore they are here to teach and train the Indian for native leadership. What subjects do we teach? In our four-year course we teach Bible, Doctrine, Homiletics, Psychology, Christian Education, English, Rural Church, Missions, and several others. Since music is important in Christian work, courses in theory, piano, and choir are offered. Chapel services, Bible classes at the government school, city mission meetings, hospital visits, and reservation services give the students training in leadership.

"With great eagerness students, representing various states, tribes, and



Sadie R. Wiersma

denominations commence school every fall. They come from reservations where superstition and paganism hold dominion. Students know the power of sin and the influence of the medicine man. Having heard the call to service students are eager to go out to preach the blessed gospel. They are eager to be ministers, evangelists, teachers, or nurses on their own reservation."

Harold J. Vande Berg, C'38 came to Northwestern after graduating from the Newkirk High School. After graduating from Northwestern with valedictorian's honors, he went on to Cen-

tral College and New Brunswick Theological Seminary. During his recent furlough he took studies at the Univer-



Vande Berg at morning prayers in India

sity of Chicago. He has served as a missionary since 1946. He married Beulah Yvette Larsen of Maxwell, Iowa. They have two children, Rani Marie, 5, and Erie James, 2.

Harold writes as follows about the task in India:

"The influence of the Gospel in India is way out of proportion to the relatively small number of Christians there. Some of this came along with the prestige of the British rule, such as observance of Sunday as a holiday and of Christmas as a 'bank' holiday; some of this influence came along with missions and their schools and hospitals, such as cleanliness, the sacredness of Good Friday, and the constant quoting of Jesus in the legislature and on the street. And yet, an anti-Christian government could easily erase many of these manifested influences. The change that the Gospel has made in individual persons, however, is the one influence that no power in India can remove. It is the Gospel in the heart of Christian Indians that will bring India to her place in God's plan for the nations.

"It has been a genuine thrill, just plain fun, to present the Gospel of God in Jesus Christ to individuals in India, and to see this Power take a life, even an entire village, and change it into a radically new creation. In our work we have presented the Gospel through literature, through talks with individuals, through public speaking in village centers, and through the average life

of a Christian home. Part of our work is leading national Christians into wanting to evangelize their fellow Indians, and then into techniques that they can use in their work of witness.

"At this stage in India, when it is absolutely urgent that Christianity become fully Indian in its various expressions of worship and service, much of the missionary's job is to be a co-worker, committedly 'one of them,' using his advantages of a family heri-

tage, Christian education, and personal salvation realized in the Church to lead the Indian into being the evangelist. Things are moving fast in India, so fast that mission policies cannot keep pace. But the Gospel is unchanging; and when we present it to the Indian and lead the convert into presenting it to his fellow Indians, then we are up to date. For the message of missions, today as always, is - 'I beseech you on behalf of Christ; be reconciled to God.' "

IN MEMORIAM

The list here given may be incomplete, but it strives to include all those whose passing has not been noted in the Classic in recent years. Space does not permit an extensive obituary for each one, and so we write this one word of tribute for all. Some had reached old age, others were of fewer years, but there is inspiration in the thought of the total contribution that Northwestern was able to make to society through these lives. Their Alma Mater is grateful for the way they lived and wrought throughout the years. This is the list, as complete as we can make it. If names have been overlooked, we shall be glad to be notified.

Rev. Seine J. Menning, member of the first student-group enrolled in the Academy, in 1883. Died at Oskaloosa, Iowa, on October 3, 1953.

Sara Hospers Van Oosterhout, A'93. Died at Orange City, Iowa, May 22, 1953.

Gerrit J. Muilenburg, A'93. Died at Falls Church, Virginia, on February 13, 1953.

Rev. Aart B. Van Zante. Attended the academy in the nineties. Died at Seattle, Washington, on May 31, 1952.

Mae Hospers Kolyn, A'02. Died at Orange City, Iowa, on July 15, 1953.

Abel J. Renkes, A'04. Died at Morrison, Illinois, on June 3, 1951.

Jacoba Slobe, A'07. Died at Long Beach, California, on April 10, 1952.

Lillian Vander Berg Van Zyl, A'12. Died at McMinnville, Oregon, on February 14, 1953.

Fannie Beltman Te Grotenhuis, A'13. Died at Orange City, Iowa, on August 14, 1950.

Henry L. Mol, A'17. Died at Grundy Center, Iowa, on June 3, 1952.

Rev. Arthur Cornelius Roos, A'19. Died at Rochester, New York, on June 8, 1952.

Stanley Vander Ploeg, A'32, C'34. Died at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on April 1, 1952.

Arnetta Jansma Van Roekel, C'35. Died at Maurice, Iowa, on November 11, 1951.

Virginia Marie Turner, C'49. Died in automobile accident on October 13, 1953.

Rodney E. De Jong, C'50n. Died at Orange City, Iowa, on April 6, 1953.

Notices of the passing of Gerald A. Beving, C'41, and Jake R. Solsma, C'51, have appeared in previous issues.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

In the space of only a few months two much loved women passed away. Both had been connected with dormi-

tory life at Northwestern. Mrs. Lillian Vander Berg Van Zyl, A'12, died on February 14, 1953, and Mrs. Minnie

Duven died on June 7, 1953. Mrs. Van Zyl had for a period of years been a member of the kitchen staff in Dykstra Hall and Heemstra Hall, and more recently had waited on the students in the snack-room of Heemstra Hall. Her late husband, Bert Van Zyl, was also a member of the class of 1912.

Mrs. Duven served the college for five and one-half years, first as house-mother when Dykstra Hall was a residence for girls, and later as matron of Heemstra Hall. She retired in 1952. An appreciation of her contribution to our school-life was published in the Classic of August, 1952.

Arthur J. Visser, who was a mem-

ber of the Academy faculty from 1915 to 1922, died on February 20, 1953. Mr. Visser served for a time as Principal of the Memorial Academy in Cedar Grove, Wisconsin, and at the time of his death was superintendent of the Holland Home for the Aged in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Arthur Cornelius Roos, A'19, whose death is mentioned in the "In Memoriam" column, was a teacher in our Academy from 1923 to 1925. He later had pastoral experience in South Dakota, and was principal of Pleasant Prairie Academy at German Valley, Illinois, for four years. At the time of his death he was pastor of the Reformed Church of Williamson, New York.

WEDDING BELLS

Anna Marie Lubbers, C'43n, and Rev. Edwin Weltge - residence Murphysboro, Illinois.

Viola Joyce Kooy, A'44, and Wil-lard G. Reimer - residence temporarily in Michigan.

Della C. Muilenburg, C'45, and Thompson D. Ashby - residence, Stratford, Iowa.

Peter J. Vermaat, A'46, and Hattie B. Blau, C'52n - residence, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Marvin Korver, C'48n, and Norma De Boer - residence, Alton.

Marna J. Van Oort, C'47, and Donald Hakeman - residence, Sanborn, Iowa.

Erwin P. Kraai, C'47, and Rolette A. Sandwick - residence, Rochester, New York.

Luetta Friese, C'48, and Warren Wheeldryer - residence, Chancellor, South Dakota.

Harold G. Van Oort, C'49 and JoEllen Frye - residence, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Anona Alice Rensink, C'49, and Frank M. Elliott - residence, West Branch, Iowa.

Mildred E. Sleper, C'50, and Mark F. Miller, Jr. - residence, Britt, Iowa.

Marlene G. Brink, C'50, and John Bernard Alons - John in military service.

Raymond Kiel, A'50, and Edna Joyce Vander Maten - residence, Orange City.

Clifford S. Van Berkum, C'51, and Phyllis Jane De Jager - Clifford in military service.

Clarine Kooiker, C'51n, and Tim Rodney Kooima - residence, Hull.

Roger Dean Petersen, C'51, and Wilma Harriet Korver, C'48n - residence, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Gladys K. Bos, C'51, and Kenneth Taubert - residence, Pipestone, Minnesota.

Cornelius H. Korver, C'51, and Gladys Oldenkamp, C'52 - Cornelius in military service.

Mildred N. Moss, C'51, and Marinus Maasland - residence, Australia.

Donald E. De Jager, C'52, and Norma Jean Frericks - residence, Orange City.

Wilfred E. Bajema, C'52n, and Nancy Ann Wiebenga - residence, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Eunice Mae Schutt, C'52, and Kenneth W. Hulstein - residence, Sioux Center, Iowa.

Shirley Arlene Kooiker, C'52, and Paul Kaminga - Paul in military service.

Dorothy Harriet Oldenkamp, C'52, and Richard L. Auberg - residence, Orange City.

Eleanor J. Landhuis, C'52, and Willis Kleinwolterink - Willis in military service.

Margaret Jeanne Peel, C'53, and Jay Gould - residence, Ellsworth, Minnesota.

Jay W. Van Oort, C'53, and Charlene Wirsing - residence, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Forrest Hubers, A'51, C'53, and Lenora Noteboom, A'51 - residence, Orange City.

Lambert John Mouw, C'53n, and Arlene Wilma Van Meeveren - residence, Orange City.

Adrian B. De Haan, C'53n, and Karen Mouw - residence, Des Moines, Iowa.

Myron W. Meyer, C'53, and Esther Maassen - residence, Matlock, Iowa.

Edward Korthals, C'53, and Thelma Heiggen - residence, Holland, Michigan.

NORTHWESTERN'S ALUMNI WIN DISTINCTION

Frank Verbrugge, C'32, is Professor of Physics at Carleton College. In June, 1952, at the 14th annual Physics Colloquium at the State University of Iowa, Dr. Verbrugge exhibited a full-sized model of an atomic magneto used in the classroom to demonstrate the action of atoms in a magnetic field. The exhibit was a product of research financed by the Research Corporation of New York City. Verbrugge received his Ph. D. at Missouri.

Philip W. Mouw, C'36, is teaching for a year in the Netherlands under a Fulbright scholarship. Philip has been a teacher in Louisiana and Hawaii and is making progress toward his Doctor's degree at the University of Minnesota.

Freeman John Vander Ploeg, A'34, C'36, has been with the John Morrell Packing Company since 1945, first as salesman and for several years in the personnel department. Some months ago he was promoted to the position of divisional sales manager. He resides in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and for a number of years has been general chairman of that city's B-E Day.

Calvin Thomas De Vries, C'41, is remembered for sundry achievements at Northwestern - flute soloist, excellent bass singer, state honors in public speaking, and "Y" worker. He is minister of education at the Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago. At a city-wide conference on the use of audio-visual equipment in church-work, De Vries took part in the program to demonstrate what can be done along this line. Fourth Presbyterian is said to have "one of the soundest, most oper-

able audio-visual programs in the country."

Clarence L. Ver Steeg, C'42, assistant professor of history at Northwestern University, was awarded the Albert J. Beveridge prize for 1952 by the American Historical Association. This is an annual award for the best original manuscript on American history, and was given to Ver Steeg for his book entitled "Robert Morris, Revolutionary Financier." The prize consists of \$1,000 in cash and the publication of the manuscript by the Association.

Vergil H. Dykstra, A'42, C'44n, received his Ph. D. in philosophy at the University of Wisconsin last June. After his years at Northwestern and a stretch in the Navy, he graduated from Hope College with great distinction. Vergil is now a member of the philosophy staff at the University of Cincinnati.

Gerald Francis De Jong, A'39, C'48, is pursuing doctoral studies in Dutch History at the University of Wisconsin. He was offered the Knapp scholarship in European History, the highest award in the History Department, providing a cash amount of \$1500. In preference to the Knapp award, he has accepted a Fulbright Scholarship for at least a year's study at the University of Utrecht under the direction of Prof. Dr. P. Geyl, an authority in Dutch History. Gerald is preparing a dissertation on the subject; "The Evolution of the Office of Stadholder to 1795." Mrs. De Jong is Jeanne Masselink, C'48.

Newman De Haas, C'48 is engaged in graduate research at the Applied

Physics Laboratory of the Johns Hopkins University at Silver Springs, Maryland. His success in his field is illustrated by the fact that he is one of two co-authors of an article that appeared in the Journal of Applied Physics for

October, 1952, under the title: "Experimental Study of the Formation of a Vortex Ring at the Open End of a Cylindrical Shock Tube." The article is accompanied by numerous photographs and graphs.

GRADUATES OF NORTHWESTERN RECIEVE HONORS AT HOPE COLLEGE

At the Commencement exercises of Hope College in June, 1953, Stanley B. Vander Aarde, A'49, C'51, was one of two in a class of 155 to receive a Summa Cum Laude ranking. Among the 19 who graduated with "cum laude" honors, we find Marcine Muilenburg De Jong, A'46, C'48; Jean Harmelink

Muyskens, C'50; and Gladys J. Roos, C'50.

Others who graduated at Hope with the same class were Joseph Bernard Muyskens, A'49, C'51; Kenneth Wayne Raak, C'51; and Phyllis Deane Vander Schaaf, C'44. Phyllis has been a member of the Chapel Choir at Hope.

NORTHWESTERN AT CENTRAL COLLEGE

In the 1953 graduating class at Central College, were Wilma Harriet Korver Petersen, C'48n; Roger D. Petersen, C'51; and Harvey W. Noordisy A'49. Harvey was elected to the Alpha Zeta Mu Honor Society, and graduated Cum Laude.

CONGRATULATIONS

We wish it were possible to mention all of our former students who earn degrees and honors at colleges and universities across the country. Congratulations to all! We are proud of you!

THE INTERESTING CAREER OF JOHN H. DEQUER (DEKKER). A 1903-1905

Through the courtesy of Dr. James Lankelma, A'06, of Pella, Iowa, we recently became acquainted with the remarkable life-story of one whom students of the early years of the century remember as John Dekker. Dekker was a physician and surgeon, a labor-leader, a health lecturer, a mining expert, an artist, and a religious teacher. He was born in 1883 in a sod-hut in South Dakota. At about the age of 15 he came to enroll in the Academy. The story goes that when he appeared on the campus in cowboy garb, fellow-students proceeded to tear this costume from his body and then took a collection for a new outfit of

clothes. We are inclined to think this story somewhat apocryphal, inasmuch as we do not wish the reputation of our students of bygone days to suffer. While at the Academy Dekker distinguished himself in dramatics, even in Shakespearean roles. Looking forward to an actor's career, he revised the spelling of his name to Dequer, thinking this more suited to the theatrical profession.

Dequer worked his way through college, and medical school. He had a marvelous memory and was at home in numerous languages. At one time he was in medical service with the Mexi-

can army. As a lecturer he traveled widely, becoming intimate with socialist leaders in other countries. He was also a close companion of the writer Jack London.

Forsaking socialism, he turned to religion. In this field he followed unconventional lines, delving deeply into comparative religions. He lectured constantly. He wrote and published numerous treatises, his headquarters being first in Lincoln, Nebraska, and later in Chicago. In his writing he drew on the Bible, the Zodiac, the

Great Pyramid, the Human Body, and the "Spoken Word."

He struggled with ill-health for many years, passing through many operations, and combatted tuberculosis, and when heart-weakness bore down upon him he kept on lecturing from a wheel-chair, often being revived by amyl nitrate for renewed effort. "He had learned," one writes, "that man does not die so quickly from his fleshly ailments as from spiritually giving up." His strenuous life came to its close in 1945.

OUR MAILBAG

Henry Vander Naald, A'99, sends this greeting from Grand Rapids, Michigan:

"Sorely belated gift for Zwemer Hall. The Lord bless you all who are carrying on at what we used to call the Academy. She has certainly budded and blossomed and is bearing rich fruitages."

Jacoba Slobe, A'07, who passed away in April, 1952, wrote the following letter in the previous February to Mrs. Wilbur Kots of Orange City:

"In response to your Alumna letter of January 28th, I herewith enclose my check for -----, tucked in the little apron pocket. I am glad of the opportunity to do my bit towards taking care of the cost entailed in beautifying the inside of Zwemer Hall.

"I recall with great pleasure my four years at N. W. Classical Academy. The education which we received there and the foundation which was built for us for our future certainly were invaluable. The memories of those days 'of long ago' are precious to me."

Mathilda G. Muyskens, A'15, is a librarian in Toledo, Ohio. She writes:

"I am serving here as Librarian of the Toledo Medical Library Association. I drove through Orange City in the summer of 1950 and was pleased to see how the old school looks. Especially pleased I was to see Zwemer Hall getting consideration and care. I am glad I got my secondary education there, and feel that such schools have a very important mission to fulfill."

Marianne Ducommun Kramer, C'48n, lives near Paullina, Iowa. Her note says: "You know, I visited the college for an hour and just didn't make the complete rounds. Maybe I will get over some other time with more time. I have two little children, Lynda 4, and Ross almost 3."

Doris Norby, C'52, is now teaching in Newell, Iowa. She writes that she "had a truly wonderful year in Kentucky. I loved the country, the scenery, the people, and my work. I spent the happiest year of my life there among those people. Teaching school was not always easy, but it was wonderful! In many ways, Kentucky and the experience there was the best thing in the world that ever happened to me."

PERSONALIA

The Classic makes grateful acknowledgement of the fact that among the bequests in the will of the late Sara Hospers Van Oosterhout, A'93, was one of \$1500 to Northwestern.

Gerrit J. Slobe, A'00, has been secretary-treasurer of the Sioux National Farm Loan Association for thirty-five years. At a four-state conference of Farm Loan Officials, he re-

ceived recognition for his long service.

Rev. Arend J. Te Paske, A'05, has retired from the active pastorate and is residing at Morrison, Illinois.

Among recent inspiring chapel-speakers were Irene Stapelkamp Dykstra, A'08n, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, Rev. John C. Van Wyk, A'08, of Oskaloosa, Iowa, and Rev. Henry A. Poppen, D. D. A'10, of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Fred W. Stuart, A'28, C'30, is principal of two large grade schools in Sioux City, Iowa.

Donald P. Dell, C'35 has been in educational work for many years. He is now Superintendent of Schools at Alford, Iowa.

Alfred J. Vande Waa, C'41, has opened medical practice at Zeeland, Michigan.

Leon A. Roggen, C'42, is a public accountant in Orange City, and is secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce.

Rev. Chester J. Droog, C'42, was until recently president of the pastors' association in Spencer, Iowa. He has now moved to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he has become pastor of the Fifth Reformed Church.

Richard G. Luitjens, C'34n, is connected with the Iowa State Highway Patrol. He lives in Sioux City, Iowa, and has two daughters, Judith and Marla.

Mariada Muilenburg, C'45n, is the wife of Warren G. Stamp, M. D. She is teaching in the department of Special Education and working toward a doctorate at Wayne University, Detroit.

Rev. Harvey M. Calsbeek, C'48, was ordained to the Christian ministry and installed as pastor of the Logan Reformed Church of Dell Rapids, South Dakota, on June 23, 1953. Among those who took part in the service was Rev. James S. Boogerd, C'47. The charge to the pastor was given by Dr. H. V. E. Stegeman of Northwestern. The mistress of the Dell Rapids manse is Angelina J. Smit, also C'48.

Duane E. Bittenob, C'51, is a teacher and coach at Quimby, Iowa.

Among callers at the Alumni Office were Charles Heemstra, A'99, of Santa Ana, California; Ervin Jansma, C'49, of Lena, Illinois; Rev. John Edward Hibma, A'36, C'38, of Grand Rapids, Michigan; Rev. Warren M. Hietbrink, C'45n, of Rock Rapids, Iowa; Mrs. Thomas E. Welmers of Ithaca, New York, whose late husband was principal of the Academy from 1908 to 1920; her son Everett Welmers of Kenmore, New York; and Miss Cunera Van Emmerik of Central College, who was an instructor in our Academy from 1922 to 1927.

Frank Ollivier, formerly professor of Chemistry at Northwestern, is now a chemist at the Iowa Ordnance Plant in Burlington, Iowa.

F. Heemstra, B. Reinders, P. Colenbrander, Vera Colenbrander of 1943 College Class.



Dr. and Mrs. Heemstra at 1953 Banquet, Esther Aalberts, A'31, C'34n, presents corsage.



FACULTY NOTES

Mr. Robert Baar has joined the music staff to relieve Miss Smith of an expanded program which she has developed during the history of the college. He directs the choir, band, teaches voice and classes in music. Miss Smith is teaching art in college and academy, and retains several classes in music.

Mr. Baar comes from Murray State Teachers College, Murray, Kentucky. Prior to his work in higher education, he taught in the Christian high and elementary schools in Chicago. His training has been on the campuses of St. Olaf College, Chicago Musical College, Roosevelt College, Central Y.M. C.A. College, University of Chicago, De Paul University, and Sherwood Music School. He is a son of the Hope Reformed Church in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Baar and Bobby live in the Kepp apartments.

Miss Clara Van Til has come to Northwestern to be Dean of College Women and Principal of the Academy. She is teaching Social Science in both the college and the academy. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Illinois in the field of History. She has been a teacher in Lansing, Illinois, and Bellflower, California, and in recent years has been assistant principal of the Chicago Christian High School.

Miss Marion Hull, after choosing to be relieved of the position of Dean of Women, is devoting all of her time to teaching, mainly in the field of Teacher Education.

Miss Joan Goetz, who was in charge of Secretarial Science last year, did not return to us. Her place is being taken by Mrs. Wezeman until a

permanent successor is found. Mrs. Wezeman is a graduate of Wisconsin State College at Whitewater, and has also attended Wisconsin State College of Education at Milwaukee.

Mrs. Edwin J. Aalberts, R. N., has succeeded Mrs. Theodore Van Bruggen, R. N., as Resident Nurse.

The academic goals of our faculty members are high. Acknowledgment should be made of Mrs. H. L. England's earning the degree of A. M. at the University of Minnesota in the field of Speech and Theater Arts with minors in English and Scandinavian. Coach Paul Colenbrander received his A. M. at the Colorado State College of Education in the field of Physical Education.

A TRIUMPHANT FOOTBALL SEASON

The football season this year was unique in bringing Northwestern for the first time a record without a single defeat. Coach Colenbrander did stellar work with a stellar squad of players.

Here is the record:

Northwestern 19 - Mason City 6
 Northwestern 24 - Luther (Nebraska) 6
 Northwestern 13 - Worthington 0
 Northwestern 32 - Emmetsburg 0
 Northwestern 20 - Waldorf 19
 Northwestern 20 - Norfolk 14
 Northwestern 45 - Fort Dodge 0
 Northwestern 32 - Estherville 0

This record and the winning of the Northwest Iowa Conference Championship were celebrated with a Glory Day on October 30.

AUTUMN ACTIVITIES

ACADEMY PLAY

Professor Henry O. Vaag reported as follows in "Academy Sparks," the Academy paper:

The academy senior class, aided by several underclassmen and college stu-

dents, captured the gaiety and charm of early nineteenth century rural England in their play, "Pride and Prejudice," given on November 6.

Jane Austen's familiar satire of En-

glish manners came to life on the Town Hall stage as a polished cast presented for an appreciative audience the trials, torments of Mrs. Bennet. Her connivings in behalf of her five pretty daughters provided great sport for the audience, which went away chuckling.

The setting and the period costumes early produced the proper mood, which the cast maintained throughout the play. Marlen Vander Wilt, academy alumnus, designed the imaginative set. Jeneva Breed, college sophomore, was responsible for the costumes, and I'm sure everyone will agree that the girls

were tastefully attired and that they wore their gowns with considerable grace. The boys seemed rather ill at ease in their formal wear.

The cast was well balanced and for the most part well fitted to their several roles.

Their training was evidenced by their apparent poise on stage and their ability to make themselves heard all over the auditorium. Several of the players turned in stellar performances.

Mrs. H. L. England directed the play.

CONSECRATION WEEK — NOVEMBER 2-6

Our leader this year was Rev. Harland Steele, who served for a time as Temple Time preacher and is now pastor of the First Reformed Church of Grand Haven, Michigan. During this same week, Mr. Steele spoke at three special preaching services in Trinity Church of Orange City.

At the Monday meeting in our chapel, Rev. LeRoy Nattress, Director of Admissions, was the speaker. His address struck a fine keynote for the

entire week. Mr. Steele brought four effective messages: Looking into our Need; Confession; Living a Life of Gratitude; Being a Witness. The musical setting for the meetings was provided by the college choir and several soloists. In the course of the week, Mr. Steele was a guest of the faculty at a dinner at the home of Mrs. Edward Bolluyt in Alton, and in an informal address stimulated the instructors to consider the implications of their task as Christian educators.

CAREER DAY — NOVEMBER 13

The annual Career Day for students of Sioux County high schools was held at Northwestern in the morning and afternoon of November 13. At the mass-meeting in the morning, music was furnished by the college band and the college choir, directed by Professor Robert Baar. President Wezeman conducted opening devotions. The speaker for the occasion was President G. T. Vander Lugt of Central College,

who spoke in his usual forceful way. Some thirty careers were discussed by expert leaders in group-meetings throughout the day. These conference leaders were guests of the college at the noon luncheon in Heemstra Hall. A special program was conducted throughout the day for young people interested in elementary education. Dean Harold J. Haverkamp of Central College led a discussion on "Teacher Aptitudes."

A NEW ALUMNI SURVEY

The time has come for a new survey of present circumstances of our former students. It is the hope of the Alumni Office to send out a questionnaire in the near future. After receiving your replies, we hope to be in a position to compile a new Alumni Roster in place of the one that was published in 1946. Please remember that the success of this survey requires just a little attention on your part to the questionnaire. Thank you.

H. V. E. S.

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FIRST ORCHESTRA AT NORTHWESTERN

Left to right: Seated - John Schoep, Henry Muilenburg, Stanley Duven, Conrad Luymes, Arnold Vander Wilt, Albert Heemstra, Bernard Voss, Albert Van't Hof, Charles Greenfield, Hester Cleveringa. Standing - Merlin Goebel, Gradus C. Aalberts, Stanley Synhorst, William Reinsma, Melvin Roetman, Bernard De Cook, Edwin Aalberts, Fern Smith - Director.